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IN LABRADOR you don't let a little thing like sub-zero weather and howling winds keep you from your favorite sport... even if it is softball. Here USAF and RCAF servicemen are seen playing ball under just

those conditions. The Canucks emerged the winners, 5-0. The Americans had extreme difficulty in mastering the art of running in snowshoes!

BEISEKER NEWS BRIEFS

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Perks and family visited in Beiseker over the week-end.

Mrs. E. N. Hagel has returned to Beiseker after spending a month in Calgary visiting at her son's home. She is with her daughter Mrs. L. L. Schmaltz until the weather gets warmer.

Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Hagel on the birth of a son, born Friday, March 9.

Mr. Steve Silbernagel returned home from the hospital, and we are glad to say that he is doing as well as can be expected.

Due to the extreme cold weather and closed roads for the greater part of the week many social activities had to be cancelled, for instance, the mixed bonspiel will continue this week, and if the temperature shoots the other way too rapidly it is doubtful if this event will get finished.

The Ladies Bridge Club also had to cancel their evening due to the weather and the 'flu.

The school teachers and pupils also had to take off the first three days of last week, but are back to normal this week, and with the high school Easter exams commencing Monday of this week it is

hoped that the 'flu will not prevent any pupils from attending school and writing their exams.

As a result of the weather and roads the personal items are short this week, but we hope to have more for you in the next edition.

LEVEL LAND TOPICS

A few of the S.D.A. Group attended a rally in Calgary with the Calgary S.D.A. Church on Saturday, March 10.

Mr. Elwood Leiske was visiting his parents on Sunday, March 10.

It has been reported that the Agricultural Short Course Seed Fair and Industrial Exhibit, sponsored by the Calgary Chamber of Commerce and the Alberta Department of Agriculture and the Calgary Exhibition and Stampede Ltd., was one of the best shows ever held in Western Canada. At 9:00 o'clock Thursday morning the exhibits were open for inspection.

Howard P. Wright was chairman of the Short Course and Seed Fair committee. O. S. Longman, Deputy Minister of Agriculture, gave as his topic "The Agricultural Outlook." "Latest Development in Livestock Production" was presented by Dr. L. W. McElroy, Professor, Department of Animal Science, University of Alberta. It was of interest to hear the address given by Dr. L. Thomson, O.B.E., B.Sc., F.A.I.C. of the Department of Agriculture of Regina, at the Chamber of Commerce luncheon held in the Palliser Hotel. "Our Soil Can and Must be Saved" was given by Dr. L. B. Thompson, O.B.E., B.Sc., F.A.I.C., Dent. Farm. "The Grain Business," by Stanley N. Jones of Winnipeg Grain Exchange. A good many other speakers participated as well as these. The short course took in three days.

Because of so much sickness, the Level Land Band has missed two weeks of practice.

Pastor and Mrs. Levern Krenzler were with the S.D.A. Church this last weekend. Pastor Schwartz was with the Acme group.

John Leiske of the Level Land district, attended the agricultural short course in Calgary last week. Entree No. 1 is getting down

to harder formation and was down over 4,000 feet, Saturday, March 10.

Fire caused by a gas lamp explosion on Wednesday evening, Feb. 27, destroyed the home of Mr. and Mrs. Jim Bushby, two miles east of Carbon. No one was injured in the blaze, but the entire contents of the building were lost. No insurance was carried. The entire community responded quickly to their aid and donations of cash, clothing and household effect have been steadily coming in to receiving centres set up in business places in town. These centres are still open and will accept any donations.

A recital given by the pupils of the Molly Pierce School of Music, was held in the Al Azhar Temple on Monday, Feb. 19, at 8:15 p.m. Pupils of six different music teachers participated, of which Larry Leiske of Level Land, was one. Forty-seven different pieces were rendered and it is of great interest to see what the younger people could accomplish. The hall was filled to capacity.

Acknowledge Donations To Red Cross Day

BEISEKER. — Receipts have been sent out from the Beiseker Branch of the Canadian Red Cross Society acknowledging the donations received for the recent Junior Red Cross Hospital Day and Auction Sale. Only receipts for amounts of three dollars or more were sent but anyone desiring a receipt for any less amount or anyone who may have been inadvertently omitted may obtain a receipt or receipts from Peter Schmaltz. The Beiseker Branch of the Red Cross Society and especially the committee in charge of the "Junior Hospital Day" wish to express their sincere thanks to all who helped to make this event the great success which it undoubtedly was. The National Drive for Red Cross membership and funds takes place during the month of March and as this is entirely distinct from the recent donation made to the Junior Red Cross Hospital, it is hoped that this is clearly understood by all the generous people of Beiseker and district and that consequently the National Campaign will not suffer.

RED CROSS DRIVE DELAYED BY SEVERE WINTER WEATHER

BEISEKER. — Owing to the severe cold weather the annual Canadian Red Cross society's Beiseker branch did not get underway the first week but the campaign committee is all set to start as soon as the weather moderates.

Canvassers are to take up their work throughout the district and it is hoped that the Beiseker branch will be one of the first in the province to reach its quota of \$1,200.

"We cannot over-emphasize the necessity of putting Alberta over the top in this year's campaign," said Matt Schmaltz, campaign manager.

"While the Red Cross is asking for \$400,000 this year, the Society plans on spending nearly \$600,000. If we do our part, the Red Cross will certainly do more than its part, as has always been the case with this international organization.

"The new Alberta Red Cross Crippled Children's Hospital, already paid for in its entirety, must now be supported. This is a great work in which we can all play a part. In addition, there is Blood Transfusion Service, Junior Red Cross, Disaster Relief, Outpost Hospitals, Veteran's Aid and Swimming and Water Safety.

"The work of the Red Cross must go on through the generosity of Alberta's people. To facilitate your giving the Royal Bank at Beiseker will accept your contribution," Matt Schmaltz concluded.

As soon as the campaign gets under way a list of the donations and donors' names will be published each week.

FALSE RUMORS

BEISEKER. — It seems that a rumor got around town that the telephone subscribers on Line 18 were more than an ordinary bunch of gossipers! In fact it became so disgusting that some other very kind friends on another line were heard to use some very strong language when they couldn't get connected with this line.

However after many complaints an investigation revealed that ap-

parently our biggest gossip was no other than Councillor Matt Schmaltz, and this was due to the blizzard conditions necessitating calls for the snow plow day and night from Linden, Acme and of course a few from Beiseker asking for help.

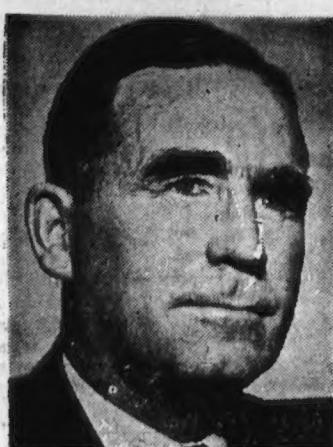
Poor Matt walked the floor for several nights trying to find a quick solution to each phone call, and the calls were of the following nature: My wife needs a doctor; I have no coal; we have a sick cow; we have so much milk we do not know what to do, and the milk man cannot come in; we have no more feed for our cattle, and they are starving because the roads are all blocked; we are out of groceries and we will have to starve to death because we have not been to town for a week.

After these complaints I think you will realize that our good friend Matt in trying to help them all, cannot be called a gossip for trying to get the line to get hold of the Municipal Office at Three Hills or Foreman Dick Gimbel at Carbon as else Calgary for repairs for a broken plow.

In spite of it all, bad roads and very severe weather, Matt has one consolation that he beat the stork in one case by a few hours! Our story ends with the feeling that Line 18 is not much worse than the other lines!



CANADIANS have now gone into action in Korea, but this soldier, Pte. G. Haycock of St. Thomas, Ont., is seen enjoying a few days leave before joining the British Commonwealth forces at the front. Here he picks up a few pointers on shoe repairing from a South Korean cobbler.



PREMIER CAMPBELL of Manitoba recently announced his government is going to expropriate the huge \$92,000,000 Winnipeg Electric Co. This marks another milestone in the trend-toward government control of the nation's utilities.

EDITORIAL PAGE

Be a Good Neighbor

Each of our readers believes in his heart in the good neighbor policy. There isn't one of our acquaintances who would let a neighbor starve, or freeze to death, or die because of lack of medical attention. No one we know would see a next door neighbor suffer in disaster, without helping him every way possible.

Just as we strive to be good neighbors in our own home town, we should also be good neighbors in the larger community of our country and the world. Is there a flood in Manitoba or British Columbia? Let us go to the rescue. Is there a soldier in Korea in need of blood plasma? Let us rush it to him and save his life. Is there misery and suffering because of fire, or famine, or pestilence? Let us be a Good Neighbor with all the resources at our command.

We cannot all leave our homes, our farms or our jobs to rush with aid to the scene of disaster, to succour the stricken members of our world society. But we can send a ready and willing representative — The Canadian Red Cross, who will represent our good-will and generosity.

Help the suffering people of Canada and the world today — by donating to the Red Cross. No donation is too large or too small. But give what you can — and give it today. Your good-will mission must not be delayed. Nothing must stay your hand of mercy.

Dealing Through Governments

The Calgary Albertan said editorially in reference to Rt. Hon. Gardiner's failure to get the British government to come through with more money for Canadian wheat, "if there is one lesson in all this that the Canadian farmer should have learned, it is the danger of dealing through governments. They should sell their own wheat through the regular market channels, direct to the regular consumers . . . there should be no interference with the market."

What the Albertan fails to understand (or does not want to understand) is that "dealing through governments" is the only way wheat can be exported and such has been the case not only during the war but in the intervening years. There is no important wheat exporting nation in the world today which is not dealing through governments. Since the end of the war Canada expended credits totalling \$1 1/4 billion to Great Britain and other nations, much of which was used for the purchase of Canadian wheat. Over \$1/2 billion of Marshall Plan funds was diverted to Canada to enable wheat to be exported to Great Britain.

Again in 2,008

This year Easter falls on March 25th, Good Friday on March 23rd. In the past 100 years this has happened only five times. It will be 57 years (2008 A.D., to be exact) before Easter arrives as early again.

We thought we would make this prediction which we are pretty sure will come true. Anyway, there won't be many of our critics around, if it doesn't, and if there are we probably won't be here to listen to them tell us we were wrong.

Note and Comment

An organization of Protestant churches in the United States is engaged in re-writing the Bible — the New Testament is finished, we are told, and they are working now on the Old.

The complete work is to be ready for distribution by September of next year; meanwhile we are given a sample of its style from the parable of the Prodigal Son. "Portion of goods that faileth," is to become "share of property that falls"; "wasted his substance with riotous living" becomes "squandered his property in loose living." And that magnificent descriptive sentence, "fain have filled his belly with the husks that the swine did eat; and no man gave unto him," these miscreants would turn to the milk-and-waterish "gladly have fed on the pods that the swine ate; and no one gave him anything."

Having seen so much, we shall not feel badly about it if this new version of the Scriptures never does see the light.

People who try to improve on the Bible as we know it would think they could invent a finer fruit than the strawberry or a lovelier flower than the rose.

Taxes, Temperature, And Tropical Isles

By T. W. PUE

A tropical island is for sale off the coast of Queensland in Australia. There is good fishing, ideal climate and the sea is only 60 feet from the front door of the owner's residence. It is for sale for only \$18,000.

The State of Florida is carrying on a publicity — a come-hither — campaign to induce northerners to go to Florida, not just for a vacation, but to live. The cost of living, they claim, is as low or lower and with more and more people moving there to make their homes, the opportunities are getting better to make a good living.

With March temperatures of 25 degrees below zero, I keep musing to myself, "Surely I could make enough to buy three meals a day and live in Florida." That \$18,000 island proposition is, of course, something else.

T. W. PUE

LOWER TAXES

I don't know how much the taxes are on \$18,000 assessment of coral reef but I do know taxes should be lower in Alberta municipalities with the increased grants from oil revenues. The provincial budget is giving \$25,000,000 more to municipalities.

A few months ago we urged in this column that the auto license fees be reduced and, if necessary, the gasoline tax increased. And that is just what Premier Manning has done. Only we'd like to see the idea extended to another hike in the per-gallon tax and reduce the annual license fees to about \$2.00 per vehicle. It's easier to pay an extra cent a gallon during the year than an extra \$18.00 at license fee time.

WHEAT "BONUS"

The announcement of \$63,000,000 to be paid now to western wheat producers as the final payment for Canadian wheat sold under the 5-year-plan, came as a shock to me in two ways.

First, it didn't seem to jibe at all with the announcement of a few days earlier that the banks were going to get tough in letting out credit, so as to reduce spending. Secondly, this huge sum represents only 8c per bushel of wheat sold in the period — a mere pittance compared to what the wheat producers lost in selling their product for many years below the world price.

I would suggest that the government pay out this money as quickly as possible, and then go back over their accounts and figure out how much is still owing western farmers. Then, they should put that money in a special fund so as to be able to give farmers in years of crop failure a goodly payment as an insurance benefit. Right now, farmers in several areas of Alberta such as Redwater and Smoky Lake are in need of financial assistance.

The government should not be stingy in extending a liberal payment to these farmers who produced well in the war years and at small financial gain, and need assistance now.

THANK YOU!

I have been deeply touched by the many kind letters and cards received since my mother passed away in January. Words of condolence were received as far away as Hawaii, Florida, eastern Canada and England. Some of the nicest, however, bore an Alberta post-mark. Here is one, in verse, sent me by Mrs. Lily C. Whitson, Mannville, which I publish here with Mrs. Whitson's kind permission.

MOTHER!

Here's to a Mother that's good and true,
One that can always be true to you.
One whose knowledge has been your guide,
One that trouble from you did not hide,
But taught you to face it and made you
strong;
For the ways of the world are sometimes
wrong.

Here's to a Mother that's loyal and sincere
To the ones that love her and call her dear,
One whose honesty guides you through the
years,

Saving you and many another costly tears.
She set the example and followed it through,
That's why it's being passed on to you.

Here's to a Mother that's always the same,
One that's proud of her children's name.
Her faith has carried her through weary
days.

She has left a pattern for all your ways.
God help you excel yourself in your time
And not let down a Mother like mine!

—LILY C. WHITSON, Mannville, Alta.

Talking Things Over

(From Camrose Canadian)

The fact that Russian representatives are in Paris to talk things over with other world powers is a healthy indication, unless it could be a red herring such as Japan used before she attacked Pearl Harbor. Stalin is an old man by any standards. He should have ambitions to die in peace. Mortal conquest never brought reconciliation to man's innermost soul.

YOUR
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THOSE OF
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HELP FOR
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NEED IT
WHEN THEY
NEED IT



Voice of the People

"VOX POPULI, VOX DEI"

Experts at Work?

Dear Sir — The letter signed "Alert" re the Drumheller hospital situation published in your Starland Reporter is quite in agreement with my views. From comments heard during the past months, it is the view of many more of the hospital ratepayers.

It may be possible that the hospital is functioning under a 1930 economy in 1951, that nurses may be underpaid, hence the large turn-over.

I understand the Nurses Association has not become as far developed as the Teachers Association or the trade unions and miners union.

It may also be possible that goodwill does not exist between the staff and administrators of the hospital. Perhaps the hospital revenue has not kept pace with rising costs.

The municipal hospital mill rate in the 1930's was four mills, it is now four and a half compared to the school rate of 20 mills.

Perhaps hospitalization of old age pensioners, the miners, and compensation board patients does not meet the actual cost entailed. Perhaps there are not enough nurses to adequately care for the patients, and should an epidemic break out there would no doubt be a very serious situation arise.

I hope others who give voice to their thoughts may avail themselves of your column and find out what is wrong with the Drumheller Municipal hospital and have it corrected.

ANOTHER ALERT.
Rumsey, Alta.

Religious Wars

Dear Sir — Allow me to thank you upon the fine editorials in your paper. They are of high character and thought provoking.

I would also like to reply to Voicer V. T. G. Twigg who wrote about religious wars.

It truly does seem incredible that Christianity, a religion of peace should have been involved in so many bloody wars.

Perhaps the reason is that religion, unfortunately, has been mixed up with politics.

When the infallible Bible was substituted for the infallible church, every man felt free to interpret it in his own way. And every man felt only his interpretation was correct, because it was taken from the infallible Bible.

Therefore, if a Christian differed in doctrine, church government, or politics, he had to either be converted or crushed as a heretic.

If church and state remain separated we shall have hopes of peace, tolerance, and prosperity. Sangudo. (REV.) R. J. WHITE.

No Pretty Girls.

Dear Sir — After travelling in six oil countries, and hearing so much about Redwater, I decided to come up here from Oklahoma and get a job. But I'm going back to Oklahoma. Reason: The girls here are nice enough but there isn't a truly pretty girl in the whole town. That goes for every other Alberta place I've been in too. Don't you have beauty parlours in Canada? ROUGHIE

Redwater.

Would Cage Reds.

Dear Sir — Directors of FUA were absolutely wrong in quitting because of Communists in their ranks. The Commies should quit instead. When we were at war with Germany the Germans were put in concentration camps. Now that we're fighting Communists, how about putting these fifth-columnists behind barbed wire? W. E. Smoky Lake.

Spotlight on . . .

ALBERTA

A News Section About Alberta People,
Week Ending March 17, 1951

Alberta Power Plants Keep Wheels of Industry Turning

Alberta's big hydro-electric plants, ranking among the largest in the country, are supplying power at an ever-increasing rate for Alberta's war-born industrial boom.

The story of power development in Alberta ranks as one of the most colorful chapters in the history of the province.

Canadian Utilities Limited and Calgary Power Limited have been pioneers in bringing power to Alberta.

Calgary was the scene of the first electrical development, with an Edison generator being installed there in 1887. In 1893 the first hydro plant was installed on the Bow River.

CALGARY POWER PIONEER FIRM

Calgary Power Company Limited organized in 1909 and acquired the properties and rights for its

first hydro-electric plant at the Horseshoe Falls on the Bow River, 50 miles west of Calgary.

This plant went into operation in May, 1911, to serve Calgary and the Canada Cement Company's plant at Exshaw.

Later in 1913 construction was commenced on the Kananaskis Falls development, two miles above the Horseshoe plant. Completed in 1914, this plant brought the aggregate of the company's water power plants up to 32,000 horsepower.

In 1926 the company embarked on a program of expansion, entering into contracts with Lethbridge, and the 66,000 volt system was extended to Lethbridge in 1927.

In that same year the company acquired the capital stock of the Calgary Water Power Company and the United Engineering Company.

The Ghost River 37,500 h.p. generating station came into operation in January 1930.

Located some 30 miles west of Calgary, it serves the territory be-

tween Red Deer and Calgary and interconnects with City of Edmonton steam plant.

The Cascade Development, near Banff, generates 23,000 h.p. and came into production to supply energy to the ammonium nitrate plant in Calgary. To meet the further demands for power since the war the company completed the Barrier development in 1947 and has under construction a 90,000 h.p. development at Spray Lakes south of Banff.

CANADIAN UTILITIES LAUNCHED IN 1927

Canadian Utilities Limited, with head office in Calgary, Alberta, was incorporated under a Dominion Charter on May 18, 1927, under the name of Mid-West Utilities Limited, this being changed to Canadian Utilities Limited, June 12, 1928.

Most of the smaller communities in Alberta and Saskatchewan had, for years previously, been receiving their electrical energy from small individual plants at rates that were so high that the use of this energy was restricted to lighting only.

Many of these plants had deteriorated badly and it was therefore the idea of the company to secure franchises in various areas, construct a central generating plant and distribute electric power to all communities within reach. By doing this, the rates could be materially reduced and with a load building program, the consumption increased.

The Union Power Company which was operating in and around the Drumheller coal area was acquired in 1928.

By 1932 the company had developed into eleven districts in Alberta, Saskatchewan and small holdings on Vancouver Island, serving 50 communities with a total population of about 45,000.

There was no hydro development possible in the area which the company planned to serve, and the generating plants were either steam or internal combustion.

Since the loss of the Saskatchewan properties through expropriation by the CCF government at the end of 1946, Canadian Utilities has embarked on a heavy expansion program in Alberta, including a program of rural electrification. New generating plants have been constructed and transmission lines extended into new territories.



KLONDIKE PETE would be an appropriate title for Moe Ferguson, 23, of Clyde, Alberta. Moe spent five months in North last summer dismantling Canol Pipeline, will return to job in May. Beard is "absolutely real."

First Aid Is Vital Factor In Civil Defence Plans

Service clubs, church auxiliaries, study groups and community leagues should take accredited St. John Ambulance Association courses to aid the civil defence program, according to Air Vice-Marshal G. R. Hawsam, Provincial Civil Defence Co-ordinator.

In a statement to this paper he told how citizens could help Alberta's civil defence organization by learning how to protect themselves and their families, and by serving in a civil defence job.

"Your civil defence committee will soon be calling for volunteers for the various positions. Think it over now and be ready to decide on the job you will be able to do your best work in. Civil de-

fence workers are ordinary people whose daily life has equipped them to fit into a special place in the civil defence organization."

Evacuation centres would have to be provided for people evacuated from bombed homes. A knowledge of feeding large numbers of people and caring for children would be useful for those serving in evacuation centres.

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Herbs, Spices, Valuable In Preparing Family's Meals

By EVA CRUMMIE

The search for herbs and spices has spurred the discovery of new lands, caused wars, and set the stage for romance . . . as well as enhanced the flavor of food. Canadian cooks who look to their laurels, use herbs, although many of these come from a tropical climate.

With another hoist in the cost-of-living index to tax our ingenuity in the preparation of not too costly meals, we might well look into possibilities of using more herbs.

What would we do without the onion and its cousin, the garlic, whether we use them as is, or in salt form? They are credited with increasing our span of life, as well as containing supply of our daily intake of Vitamin C (against scurvy).

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But there are many other herbs . . . savory, sweet basil, thyme, bay leaves, peppercorn and oregano to mention a few, any of which add a certain something to ordinary dishes and left-overs.

According to some, an individual's culinary ability is only as good as his or her repertoire of sauces, (we know the value to a meal, and the budget, of appetizing gravy). Successful chefs in exclusive cuisines attach much importance to the use of a variety of sauces combined with the food, (omelettes, casseroles, soups), as well as on top of it, (caper sauce with tuna, maitre d'hotel, spanish, hollandaise and ravigote with various fish and meat dishes). These are to be found in textbooks on cookery which are available in the library or book stores. These make good use of herbs.

USE OF HERBS: There are no set rules for the use of herbs—a dash more or less will do the trick. However, one should not use a herb in more than one dish at a meal. Herbs with similar characteristics can do for one another. For example onions, garlic, chives and shallots may be used for somewhat the same purpose.

Dried or fresh herbs or the ground spice of the same herb can be substituted for each other. When it calls for two teaspoons of freshly minced herb, one-half teaspoon of the dried herb can be used instead, or one-quarter of the ground.

Any homemaker who delves into the mysteries of herbs will improve her cooking ability. All she needs to remember is to go easy . . . too little is better than too much. Herbs are best used like salt and pepper—according to our individual taste.

A little herb goes a long way. But its use can add flavor to Canadian dishes without adding cost.

NEW ROLE FOR FIREFIGHTERS IN HELPING CITY'S KIDS

Edmonton's firefighters, 210 strong, are out to give crippled children the chance they deserve.

Their major extra-curricular activity consists of a scheduled operation in support of the Edmonton Cerebral Palsy Association, and they've now taken on an added assignment in connection with the Easter Seal Campaign for Crippled Children.

Some months ago the Edmonton Cerebral Palsy Clinic, sponsored by South Side Kiwanians, was opened at 10560 105 street. At the new year a panel car was provided for the purpose of bringing the children to and from the clinic daily. Through lack of finances the matter of hiring drivers was out of question. At this point, Edmonton's firefighters came to the rescue and volunteered their services for the task.

Since then, two firemen have operated the clinic car each day Monday through Friday in a systematic routine bringing three groups of cerebral palsy children from their homes to the clinic and return.

At 8:45 a.m. the men assigned

to the task for the day pick up the kiddies from their homes in East Edmonton and leave them at the clinic. Then they make their calls in West Edmonton. As these are delivered to the clinic they return the East Edmonton kiddies, and on completion of this assignment they return the West Edmonton kiddies. This is the morning assignment.

In the afternoon they bring the third group from Edmonton's South Side, and these are returned to their homes by 4 o'clock.

Fire Chief W. G. Ferguson is very enthusiastic about the manner in which the boys responded to the call to aid the Easter Seal campaign. Bulletins were posted at each fire station in an effort to determine the extent of interest in the proposal. The response was spontaneous and unanimous.

From there on the Firefighters' Union Local 209 took over and began organizing the schedule. The fire stations were organized in three groups, Numbers 2 and 8, 5 and seven, and number 6 on the South Side. The men on the night shift from 12 midnight to 8 a.m. were assigned the voluntary work in pairs and from there on the boys took their turns until the entire staff at the two stations did its part.

The committee appointed by the firefighters union to aid the Easter Seal campaign consists of John Manson, Philip Yeoman, Cecil Marriott and Mac Brown.

Mrs. W. Berreth Is Laid To Rest

BEISEKER — The funeral service for Mrs. William (Matilda) Berreth, 52, of Beiseker, who died March 2 in the General Hospital, was conducted by Rev. T. H. Karpoff, Monday at 2 p.m. in the Beiseker United Church.

The service was originally planned for Wednesday of last week, but was postponed because of poor road conditions.

Burial, directed by Goode Bros. Funeral Home, was in the Zion Cemetery in Beiseker.



LLOYD PERCIVAL, and his Sports College staff, are one of the CBC's most popular programming teams. Aired over CBX every Saturday at 5:30, the program discussed current sport events, interviews top-flight stars.



LIFE in flood-stricken British Columbia has returned to normal following recent heavy rains which swelled rivers over their banks and created scenes like that above. Floods left four dead in their wake and damage estimated in millions of dollars. As usual, the Fraser valley bore the brunt of the damage.

Government Business Is Your Business



The boundaries of habitable land in Alberta are being extended every year by the province's tremendous road program. As civilization pushes the frontiers back, more areas are accessible and usable, thereby contributing to a more balanced provincial economy. Following the initial road building projects come the vast improvements and maintenance work necessary on the network of existing highways throughout the length and breadth of the province. Good roads for all is the ultimate objective of the Department of Public Works; for good roads are connecting links to unity.

ROADS. During 1950, 279 miles of asphalt highway were laid, bringing the total hard surface to 1,039 miles.

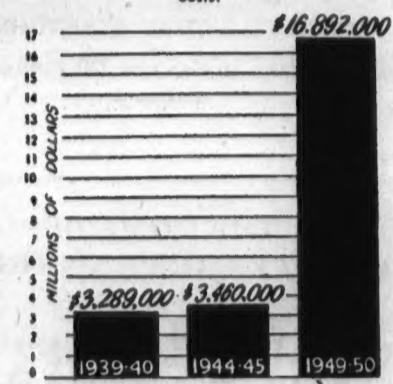
Altogether, more than 5,000 miles of main and secondary highways were in use during the year, and more than \$13,300,000 was spent on construction alone. This constitutes a record expenditure, but planned construction for 1951 is anticipated to be even greater. Additional improvements during the year included the painting of centre strips on highways and replacing the old highway signs with standard illuminated diamond-shaped signs.

BRIDGES. The biggest bridge construction in Alberta's history is underway. The 1950-51 steel bridge construction includes bridges over the Bow River at Cluny, over the Red Deer River at Empress, over the north Saskatchewan at Elk Point, Clover Bar and Devon, and over the Athabasca river at Athabasca. In addition to this reinforced concrete bridges and many timber bridges have been constructed or rebuilt where traffic demands are greatest. Bridges replace ferries by priority on a traffic count basis. A total of \$2,348,000 was expended on bridges during the year 1950.

GRANTS. The Department of Public Works also administers grants to Municipal Districts

for the maintenance and improvement of market and school van roads. In 1950, these grants amounted to \$2,350,000.

BRIDGES AND HIGHWAYS—Comparative maintenance and construction costs:

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"Don't say anything. Just call 'em back to the kitchen and give 'em plenty of bread and butter and molasses."

Cajoling Lizzie

One hears a great deal about the absent-minded professors, but none more absent-minded than the dentist who said soothingly as he applied the pliers to his automobile:

"Now, this is going to hurt just a little."

That's Telling Them!

Two of three girls who had grown up together married, and thereafter they continually annoyed their spinster friend with tactless remarks about her unhappy condition.

She laughed off their comments good-naturedly until one day they went a bit too far.

"Now tell us truthfully," they twitted her, "have you ever really had a chance to marry?"

With a withering glance, she retorted. "Suppose you ask your husbands."

A Reasonable Doubt

A movie director was giving his final directions for the filming of a jungle scene. Addressing the male lead, he said:

"You tear through the jungle as if you were running for your life. This tiger here," and the director pointed toward a cage on the set, "will pursue you for exactly 300 feet. No more. Do you get that?"

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DEAR LOUISA:—I read so many articles about mothers spoiling their children and undermining the father's attempts at discipline.

I would like to put my two cents worth in for the mothers who try to rear their children properly but are frustrated at every turn by doting fathers who find it easier to let the children have their own way than to make them learn the rules of obedience and control.

I think the most of us realize that is for a child's own good that he should have simple duties to perform around the home and that he should have a certain amount to spend and be held responsible for it. This teaches him the value of money, his responsibility as a member of the family and the meaning of work or sacrifice in relation to money and the pleasures that it buys.

But how can these things be taught if the father says he doesn't think the children should be made to mow the lawn or wipe the dishes and says it in their presence? How can control be taught if all they have to do, when the allowance is thrown away, is ask for what they need for anything else they chance to want?

And consider the plight of the mother who has been trying to do the best she can for her children—who has tried to make them face the realities of life and grow into strong, independent men and women so that they will be able to stand on their own feet when they grow up. What does she get out of such a situation? I'll tell you what she gets.

First of all, she is labeled by the family as a kill-joy and penny-pincher.

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they discover they gain by a division of the parents, they do not fail to take advantage of it.

The first thing that parents should decide when their children are born is to co-operate and, if they disagree, not to argue about it in a child's presence. Settle the question behind closed doors and compromise, if necessary but by all means stand together.

A conflict of the parents, as to authority, leads to an insecure feeling in the home and to the development of children who get what they want by tantrums rather than honest effort; unfortunately when they try to use the same methods on the hard boiled world, they find out that they won't work. Thus are some of our neurotics born.

What do you think of this?
Frustrated Mother.

Answer:

You have evidently been in the unpleasant situation you describe so well. While there are more doting mothers than fathers who bid for their children's affections by exercising no control over them, there are, as you say, men who are just as bad as these silly women.

Your advice is very good. I think, when you say that parents should stand together in matters of discipline, even though it means compromise for the both of them.

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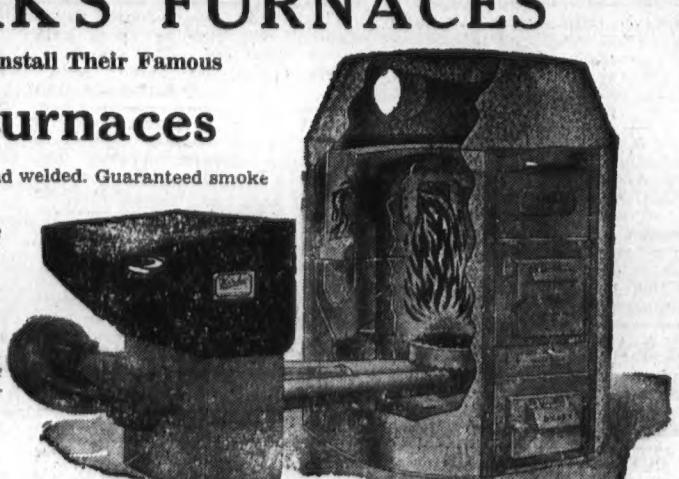
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For winning the Alberta championship Mr. Mueller was awarded a \$200 cash prize. He also won an additional \$100 for placing first in his region.

The other two provincial winners in Alberta were Swan Anderson, Benalto, awarded \$150, and Irvin Palmer, Sylvan Lake, who won \$100. Mr. Anderson won an additional \$80 for placing second in his region and Mr. Palmer an additional \$70 for placing third in his region. Both were entered in the same region as the Alberta champion, Mr. Mueller.

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berts was divided into two regions in each of which seven cash awards were made, starting at \$100 and graduated down to \$30. With Mr. Mueller winning an additional \$300 for taking second place in the inter-provincial or national contest, Alberta growers won \$1,610 of the cash awards. The winners in the two regions in the order they placed were:

Region "A" — H. T. Hansen, Lloydminster; Ted Casavant, Legal; William Colman and B. Berry, Coronado; Nicholas Symorozum, Colinton; Albert DeChamplain, Legal; B. Chamberland, Legal; J. Chamberland, Legal.

Region "B"—Hans J. Mueller, Lacombe; Swan Anderson, Benalto; Irvin Palmer, Sylvan Lake; Hugh A. Nisbet, Bowden; J. W. Bussey, Airdrie; J. E. Valli, Sylvan Lake; D. A. Hietala, Benalto.

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Good seed has come and gone. The co-operation of the press, radio, speakers and farmers has been most encouraging. Good seed week is an indication of the growing realization of the part that good seed plays in the production of better crops. To be of practical value the lesson must be taken to heart and applied when the crop is being seeded this spring. Start now by cleaning that grain you are saving for seed. Be sure that you know the germination first, then use the facilities you have to make it into No. 1 Seed Grade. Only the best is good enough. If you must buy, insist on seeing the certificate issued by the Plant Products Division. That will tell you the seed grade. Purchase a few bushels of Registered or Certified seed and start your seed plot. The sealed sack will be your guarantee of the purity and variety of seed you are getting. This is a sure way to start a good seed program.

The increased interest in cleaning equipment for seed grain is evidence that the idea of good seed for better crops is really taking hold. One farmer four miles east of Acme has installed expensive and dependable seed cleaning equipment. For the past three years this valuable farm machinery was stored in its shipping crate on a noted farm south of Calgary. The farmer, who did not take the trouble to unpack it, after paying a big price for it, missed a golden opportunity to improve his farm. His only excuse was that he did not want to be bothered with cleaning his neighbors seed grain. He certainly would have had to do just that, had he put the machinery into use. It is now set up on the new owners' farm.

This seed cleaning equipment was bought by a local farmer so that he could market all the grain

he grows as seed grain. He knows it is a profitable business, to sell commercial seed. He can increase his earnings by a clear profit of at least 15 cents per bushel for all the grain he grows. On a yield of 3,000 bushels, after all expenses for cleaning and handling are deducted, he can make a profit of \$450.00 more than he would get for the uncleared grain. In addition he will have feed for his livestock. Screenings fed to stock will bring him greater returns than if he sold them to the elevators as feed. Over a period of 25 years, grain prices averaged \$1.02 per 100 lbs. at the elevator, and the returns through fattening cattle averaged \$1.72. Cattle finishing in Alberta, carried over a period of years, has provided a profitable outlet for farm grown grains and roughage. This farmer and his neighbors will benefit in many ways as a result of the seed cleaning equipment now available near Acme. It can handle seed cleaning for at least 20 other farmers. This will mean an additional revenue of \$10,000 for that small group of farmers.

Another stationary seed cleaning plant is being completed at Trochu. It will operate in conjunction with a flour mill where clean wheat is necessary. This plant has more bin capacity and will have a seed treater installed. Properly operated this plant can mean considerable revenue to those who use it wisely. It is an important cog in the wheel of a good seed program.

Portable seed cleaning units are also in common use. Two of these units are working in the Three Hills area and another is operating near Huxley. Care in cleaning these machines is necessary when they are moved from farm to farm. They can spread bad weeds. The legs and elevators

on the portable plants are not constructed for self cleaning and are seldom provided with cleaning units for easy cleaning. In many of these plants an auger type of conveyor is used. These under the best of conditions are difficult to clean properly. Cleanability, air blast and air suction equipment is definitely needed to do a good job of seed cleaning. Properly operated they can do a better job than the farm fanning mill.

As the farm fanning mill will continue to be used on many farms to clean seed, ways and means of making them do a better job must be used. Often the mill is set in the doorway of a small granary. The grain is shovelled from the box or truck and the cleaned seed thrown into the building or sometimes bagged. Open doors or no protection will allow outside conditions to vary the effectiveness of the air blast. Under such conditions the cleaning job is usually left until spring. This tends to make the operator rush the job at seeding time. Sieves are overloaded and screens are plugged the result is poor seed that grades "Reject," when samples are taken from the farmer's drill. Cleaning before the spring rush of seeding starts and care in locating the fanning mill will improve the quality of the seed sown.

Additional screens of suitable sizes are available for all farm fanning mills, but they are seldom secured and one size is used for all grain cleaned. A test indicator or set of small hand screens of different sizes, will tell the operator the best size to use. These screens must be kept clean and

not overloaded if you are going to clean No. 1 seed grade. More care is necessary in order to clean grain to a seed standard.

There are cleaners in the local grain elevators which clean grain for their customers and other farmers that is often used for seed. While most elevator agents try to give their customers a good cleaning job it still must be remembered the elevator cleaner was only designed for commercial grain cleaning, and was never

built for seed cleaning and it is almost impossible to keep grain from getting mixed with other varieties in the elevator.

We will discuss the Municipal seed cleaning plant next week.

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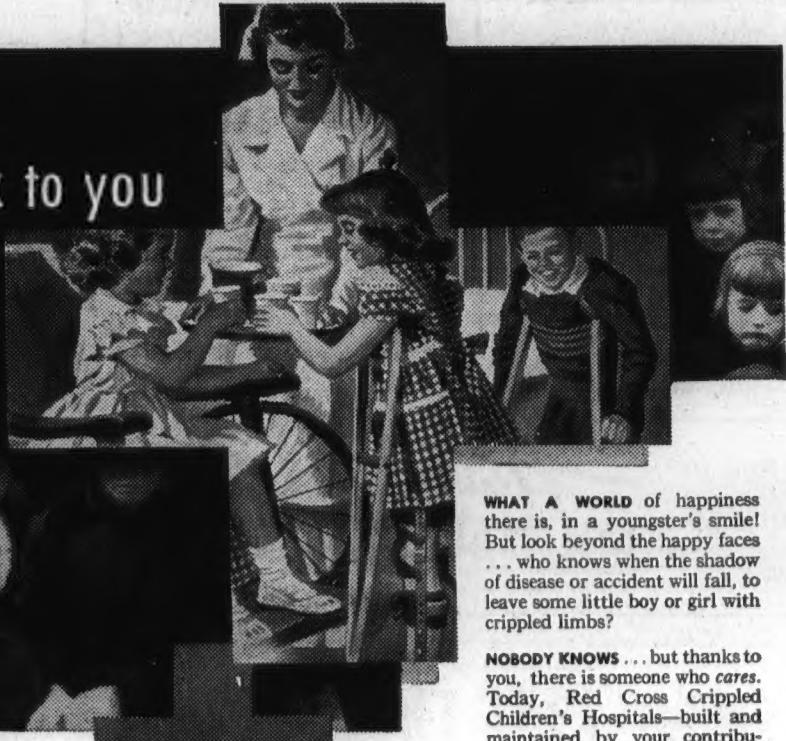
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